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MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. James A. Garrison

**SUBJECT : Unnecessary Accessories**

On my field trip last year I was advised that there had been several instances in which we had shipped automobiles to the Tropics fully equipped with heaters, defrosters, etc. I remember that our Station in [REDACTED] complained bitterly about this, and I thought I was assured on my return that such practices would be stopped. (I could be wrong about this.)

In a dispatch which I have just received from [redacted], the Chief of Station says "In the two years I have been in [redacted] I have been given two [redacted] vehicles by headquarters. In both cases the cars arrived complete with heaters and defrosters which I had never asked for and which are, of course, totally unnecessary in [redacted]. The retail cost of both heaters must have totaled about \$100 which could have been saved by making a couple of unclassified phone calls to the country desk."

Please look into this matter. I would like to be assured at a very early date that procedures are in effect to prevent a repetition of this or similar incidents.

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